DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION REQUEST

Committee on Armed Services: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 2011 for the Air Force in review of the Defense Authorization Request and the Future Years Defense Program, after receiving testimony from Michael B. Donley, Secretary, and General Norton A. Schwartz, USAF, Chief of Staff, both of the Air Force, Department of Defense.

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE BUDGET

Committee on the Budget: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 2011 for the Department of Defense, after receiving testimony from William J. Lynn, III, Deputy Secretary, and Robert F. Hale, Under Secretary, Comptroller and Chief Financial Officer, both of the Department of Defense.

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION BUDGET

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 2011 for the Department of Transportation, after receiving testimony from John D. Porcari, Deputy Secretary of Transportation.

ENERGY PROGRAMS IN THE RECOVERY AND REINVESTMENT ACT

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the Department of Energy's implementation of programs authorized and funded under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009, after receiving testimony from Matt Rogers, Senior Advisor to the Secretary, Department of Energy; Patricia A. Dalton, Managing Director, Natural Resources and Environment, Government Accountability Office; Malcolm Woolf, Maryland Energy Administration, Annapolis, on behalf of the National Association of State Energy Officials; and Michele Nellenbach, National Governors Association, Washington, D.C.

CLEAN AIR ACT

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Committee with the Subcommittee on Clean Air and Nuclear Safety concluded a joint hearing to examine S. 2995, to amend the Clean Air Act to establish a national uniform multiple air pollutant regulatory program for the electric generating sector, after receiving testimony from Regina A. McCarthy, Assistant Administrator, Office of Air and Radiation, Environmental Protection Agency; Collin P. O'Mara, Delaware Secretary of Natural Resources and Environmental Control, Dover; Albert A. Rizzo, Christiana Care Health Systems, Washington, D.C.,

on behalf of the American Lung Association; Michael D. Durham, ADA Environmental Solutions, Littleton, Colorado; and John M. McManus, American Electric Power, Columbus, Ohio.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of William D. Magwood, IV, of Maryland, William Charles Ostendorff, of Virginia, and George Apostolakis, of Massachusetts, all to be a Member of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Arthur Allen Elkins, Jr., of Maryland, to be Inspector General, Environmental Protection Agency, Earl F. Gohl, Jr., of the District of Columbia, to be Federal Cochairman of the Appalachian Regional Commission, Sandford Blitz, of Maine, to be Federal Cochairperson of the Northern Border Regional Commission, and Marilyn A. Brown, of Georgia, Barbara Short Haskew, of Tennessee, Neil G. McBride, of Tennessee, and William B. Sansom, of Tennessee, all to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Tennessee Valley Authority.

MIDDLE EAST PEACE CHALLENGES

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded a hearing to examine Middle East peace, focusing on ground truths, challenges ahead, after receiving testimony from Daniel C. Kurtzer, Princeton University Woodrow Wilson School on Public and International Affairs, Robert Malley, International Crisis Group, Ziad J. Asali, American Task Force on Palestine, and David Makovsky, Washington Institute for Near East Policy, all of Washington, D.C.

DISASTER PREPAREDNESS

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Ad Hoc Subcommittee on State, Local, and Private Sector Preparedness and Integration concluded a hearing to examine disaster preparedness in the private sector, after receiving testimony from Stephen C. Jordan, Business Civic Leadership Center, John R. Harrald, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University Center for Technology, Security and Policy, and Stephen E. Flynn, Center for National Policy, all of Washington, D.C.

CHILDHOOD OBESITY

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: Committee concluded a hearing to examine childhood obesity, focusing on reversing the epidemic, after receiving testimony from Regina M. Benjamin, Surgeon General, Department of Health and Human Services; Joe Thompson, Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Center to Prevent Childhood Obesity, Little Rock, Arkansas; Sandra Hassink, American Academy of Pediatrics Obesity Leadership